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Move Over Law Reminder

Milwaukee, WI – Sheriff David A. Clarke Jr. would like to remind motorists to adhere to the Move Over Law on the freeway system, particularly in light of this weekend's heavy presence of law enforcement working on the OWI initiative.

The law requires drivers to shift lanes, or slow down if traffic prohibits moving over, to help safeguard law enforcement officers, emergency responders, and road maintenance workers performing their responsibilities on the freeways.

Moving over or slowing down provides a safety zone for a squad car, ambulance, fire truck, tow truck or highway maintenance vehicle that is stopped on the side of the road with its warning lights flashing.

Failure of motorists to move over is one of the reasons that motor vehicle crashes kill more law enforcement officers on duty than any other cause.

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